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Dear Kevin, Welsh

Sorry I forgot to respond to part of your note that asks "Know anything re: translations of S.S. control #s to C.D.s?"

Some. On the committee I'd ask Tom Kelley, S.S., 1800 G NW. I think the Secret Service made such a list and I know they had someone keeping close track of their records and what was done with them.

By now Archives should have one. I'd ask Johnson.

Bud had one made years ago. He mimeographed it.

I may have it if you want it. I think he or I sent Hoch a copy and perhaps Hoch had a similar list. As I recall there were some horrors in Bud's.

You may have the answer by now. If not suggest that on the unofficial level you begin with the nice girl who is helping Bud and whose name escapes me. Beth.

Saltzman in Schnectady might be a good source.

On this kind of thing I'd regard Hoch as the most absoluetly solid. I had long doubts a bout his judgement in many areas but not about his record-keeping or the diligence of his records searching.

It seems to me there was also a list bracketing CDs and CEs that might be of help to you. You did not ask.

There are also duplicating CEs where the records are not identical. I recall one from Oswald in New Orleans. You had better learn if you have not that this is common with internal agency records. I recall some FBI examples.

If you do not know I have broken any relations with your committee. I believe this was required of me by reasons you are welcome to if you want them. This has nothing to do with you personally. There may be occasions of which it need give me no problems in some areas of the committee's researches. If there are such occasions I will take each one separately. I am reminded by this by O in N.O. The 544 Camp Bldg. has been destroyed. I have pictures of both exterior walls and the building itself from several positions in Lafayette Park. I did do some investigating of that business. I am not now prepared to share the investigation with the committee but if in the future it needs these pictures I'd probably lend them. If you go into that Douglas Jones is dead. He died in Hurricane Camille. I interviewed him twice, once on tape. His place also was torn down.

My forgetting was not on purpose. I hurt a tendon in my right arm. It limited me until now and I'm catching up.

Hope you have a good holiday ahead.

Best,